

WISCONSIN FIGHT IS ON.

Delegates at Madison for Republican State Convention.

Madison, July 16.—Practically the only topic under discussion among the delegates to the Republican state convention, which meets today, is what the convention will do with regard to endorsing Senator John C. Spooner for re-election.

While the platform has not yet been prepared fully, it is said that a plank of national importance will be one favoring the tariff views of Congressman Babcock of Wisconsin.

GROCCER COMBINE PERFECTED.

Wholesalers in Central and Western States Form Huge Corporation.

Chicago, July 16.—A combination of wholesale grocers, organized substantially along the lines advocated by James B. Forgan for the consolidation of country banks, has been effected by Chicago capitalists.

Incorporation papers for the combine will be filed in New Jersey. The new company will begin operations with a capitalization of \$5,000,000, of which \$2,500,000 already has been subscribed.

Harlow N. Higinbotham is president of the corporation, which will be known as the National Grocer company. Frank C. Letts, the first vice president, is president of the Western Grocer company, which controls and operates nine wholesale houses in Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Minnesota.

The company will buy direct from importers, manufacturers and sugar refiners and also will make direct importations through the Chicago office.

HIBERNIANS HONOR FEEHAN.

Convention Adjourns Out of Respect for Late Archbishop of Chicago.

Denver, July 16.—With a parade and pontifical high mass, the biennial national convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians began yesterday.

The delegates, nearly 500 in number, assembled at Coliseum hall, and, headed by a band, marched to Sacred Heart church, where mass was celebrated by Bishop Matz and a sermon preached by Rev. E. J. Barry. The delegates then returned to Coliseum hall, where the first session of the convention was held.

Stephen Donleavy presided and delivered the first address of welcome. Responses were made by President John T. Keating, Vice President James F. Dolan and others. A committee on credentials was appointed and adjournment taken, as a token of respect for the late Archbishop Feehan of Chicago.

Baseball Scores Yesterday.

National League—St. Louis, 3; Philadelphia, 4. Pittsburgh, 5; Boston, 0. Cincinnati, 10; New York, 2. Chicago, 4; Brooklyn, 8.

American League—Baltimore, 6; St. Louis, 13; Boston, 0; Cleveland, 2. Philadelphia, 9; Chicago, 3. Washington, 5; Detroit, 4.

American Association—Columbus, 2; Indianapolis, 3; Toledo, 5; Louisville, 2. St. Paul, 5; Kansas City, 1.

Western League—Omaha, 19; Peoria, 3. Denver, 9; Kansas City, 8. Colorado Springs, 3; St. Joseph, 10. Des Moines, 0; Milwaukee, 6.

Missouri Republicans Name Judges.

Joplin, Mo., July 16.—The Republican state judicial convention, to complete the ticket named at Jefferson City, yesterday made the following nominations: Justices of the supreme court, Moses Wybark of Bellinger county; Henry Lamb of Pettis; Edward Higbee of Schuyler. Judge of St. Louis court of appeals, Edward C. Elliott. The resolutions simply endorsed the Philadelphia and Jefferson City platforms.

Japan Ready to Fight Russia.

Victoria, B. C., July 16.—Major General Sir A. R. F. Dordward, who was in command of the allied troops at Tien Tsin, arrived by the steamship Empress of India yesterday. In an interview he said that unless Russia withdraws from Manchuria according to the terms of the agreement with China there will be war in the far east, as Japan is prepared to fight to get Russia out of that territory.

Rhythmic Wins M. and M.

Detroit, July 16.—The Detroit Driving club's classic Merchants and Manufacturers \$10,000 stake for 2:24 class trotters was won at Grosse Pointe track yesterday, in hollow fashion by Rhythmic, a blind horse owned by Jesse Turney, of Paris, Ky., that had never before been started in a race. Direct Hal won the 2:24 pace.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

William S. Hartley, aged 60, editor of the New York Clipper, died Tuesday of Bright's disease.

A specialist named E. A. Bessey, belonging to the United States department of agriculture, has begun a tour of Russia in search of plants suitable for America.

A violent cyclone visited Chalon Sur Saone, France, Tuesday, doing immense damage. Several vessels on the river were sunk, the Alcazar was destroyed and the streets and shops were flooded.

STEEL TRUST FILES ANSWER

President Schwab Says Assets Amount to \$1,400,000,000.

STATEMENT OF ITS PROPERTY

Earnings of the Corporation Amount to Over \$140,000,000 Annually—Admits Conversion Plan Includes Payment of \$10,000,000 to J. P. Morgan.

Newark, July 16.—The answer of the United States Steel corporation to the suit brought by J. A. Hodge to prevent the company from carrying out its bond conversion plan, was filed before Vice Chancellor Emery. The answer is sworn to by Charles M. Schwab as president. For the first time since the organization of the steel corporation a detailed statement of the assets of the properties of the subsidiary companies is furnished. These assets, it is stated, include 400 producing mills of the value of \$300,000,000; seventy-five blast furnaces of the value of \$48,000,000; ore properties of the value of \$700,000,000; coal and coke properties of the value of \$100,000,000; natural gas fields of the value of \$20,000,000; cash in bank to the amount of \$65,000,000 and over \$80,000,000 of material in process of manufacture. The total value of the company's property is placed at \$1,400,000,000 by Mr. Schwab. The company's earnings are stated to be at the rate of more than \$140,000,000 a year. A saving of \$40,000,000 a year is credited to the ore properties and it is estimated that the ownership of transportation facilities saves the company \$10,000,000 annually. The earnings of the coal and coke properties are stated to be more than \$1,000,000 a month.

These statements as to values and earnings were presented to disprove a charge by the plaintiffs that Mr. Schwab, the president, and Mr. Trimble, the secretary, made a false certificate when they certified that in their judgment the properties were worth at least the par value of the preferred stock after deducting all indebtedness. The answer admits that the conversion plan includes a payment of \$10,000,000 to J. P. Morgan.

KING EDWARD AT COWES.

His Majesty Removed From Palace and Placed on Royal Yacht.

London, July 16.—King Edward left Victoria station yesterday for Portsmouth, where he will board the royal yacht Victoria and Albert.

The king was conveyed from Buckingham palace to the railway station in an ambulance drawn by two horses. The only other occupant of the ambulance was Queen Alexandra.

The removal of his majesty from the train to the royal yacht was safely accomplished by blue jackets, and the king's couch was placed in a reception room which had been specially constructed on the upper deck.

The warships in the harbor fired a royal salute as the king embarked and all the vessels dressed ship and manned yards or decks. The royal yacht steamed off almost immediately after the transfer was completed.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, July 16.—King Edward expressed pleasure at the excellent arrangement for his transfer. His majesty is placed sufficiently high to get a view through the window of the pavilion on deck and he watches with evident pleasure the variegated scenes in Cowes roads. It is expected the king will make a long stay at Cowes, only indulging in short day cruises in fine weather, returning to Cowes the same evening.

Uprising in Macedonia.

Vienna, July 16.—Official reports received describe a formidable Macedonian uprising in the village of Menastir, European Turkey. According to these reports the rebels, entrenched on the banks of the Ostrovo, withstood the attack of a thousand Turkish regulars and several hundred bashibazouks for a week. Finally the Turks placed the Macedonian women and children in the front as a screen and stormed the position of the rebels. The latter maintained a murderous fire and many women and children were killed by their own husbands and fathers. After dispersing the rebels the Turks massacred the population and looted and burned the houses of the inhabitants.

Gaynor and Greene File Answers.

Quebec, July 16.—Messrs. Gaynor and Greene filed answers to the motions made by counsel for the United States to quash the writs of habeas corpus issued by Judge Caron. Should the writs be set aside the extradition proceedings will be heard on their merits. The answers deny that the United States is properly represented in the proceedings, protest against Erwin's conduct, and reiterate their accusation that he offered to settle the present case for \$500,000.

Four Killed in a Mine.

Johnstown, Pa., July 16.—A blast of dynamite caused an explosion in No. 4 mine of the Berwind-White company at Winber, Pa., killing four men and injuring many others. No. 4 mine is about seven miles from the Mill creek entrance of the rolling mill mine, where the terrible explosion occurred last Thursday.

Hot Wave in Kansas.

Topeka, July 16.—The heat throughout Kansas has been excessive. In Topeka the thermometer registered 98 degrees at noon. Numerous prostrations are reported. The ground is full of moisture and the heat is just what the corn needs to make a rapid growth.

HOT AFTER CONVICT TRACY.

Fugitive is on the Goldhill Trail—Body of Merrill Found.

Tacoma, Wash., July 16.—Officers are hot after Tracy, who is on the Goldhill trail east of Buckley. He had breakfast with a logger named Clark. He took the Goldhill route in order that he could secure rest, as he appeared very tired.

A special from Chehalis says: The body of David Merrill, who escaped from the Oregon penitentiary with Harry Tracy on June 9, has been found. A bullet wound in the back reveals the nature of his death and substantiates the story told by Tracy about the duel in the forest. The remains were in a somewhat advanced stage of decomposition, but were still recognizable.

The body of Merrill was found by a Mrs. Wagner and her 12-year-old son, of Napavine, yesterday, and she will claim the reward of \$2,750. While picking berries they discovered the corpse thrown over a log and jammed between two tree stumps a few feet off the main road. The indications are that Tracy fired the first shot from behind a tree and then completed the assassination of his dying pal and brother-in-law at close range.

Marietta Ordered to LaGuayra.

Washington, July 16.—The Marietta, which arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, yesterday from Cape Haytien, was met there by the cable instructions dispatched from the navy department ordering her to proceed to LaGuayra, Venezuela, in response to Minister Bowen's appeal for an additional ship in those waters. The Topoka has arrived at Curacao, whence it is reported that 900 revolutionists under General Penaloza are approaching Puerto Cabello, where the government forces are entrenched.

Rioting in Ireland.

Belfast, July 16.—A report has reached here that a score of policemen and a district inspector were injured while attempting to quell a riot last night at Newry, Counties of Down and Armagh. A number of the Orange and Nationalist combatants also were injured. Rev. Bredin, a Presbyterian clergyman, was knocked from his bicycle and severely injured by a blow on the head with a stone.

CORN CORNER IS BROKEN.

Price of July Option Responds With Drop of Fifteen Cents.

Chicago, July 15.—Bulls in the corn pit who engineered the corner in July options today abandoned their position and the yellow cereal left to itself fell from its lofty price and floundered 20c under yesterday's best figure. Two causes were attributed to the action of the market: The hurried arrival of corn to the market by the fancy prices; and settlement with many of the July shorts by the Gates New York bull clique of cornerers. Whether the corner has been broken or whether the action of the bull party today is simply bait for the unwary, the trade is yet at a loss to understand. Common rumor, however, has it that the July deal is over and all that remains to be done is for the bull crowd to get rid of the cash corn that has been delivered to it. Naturally most of the interesting sales today centered about July corn. As a result the effect of the break was felt in all other grains. Yet natural conditions were bearish enough to break prices, and fine weather and lower yields besides the heavy receipts caused such general selling in all the pits that September wheat closed 1 1/2c lower, September corn 1 1/2c down, July corn 1 1/2c lower and September oats 1/2c lower. Provisions started strong but could not withstand the pressure of the grain break and closed a shade to 20c lower. Closing prices: Wheat—July, 75 1/2; Sept., 71 1/2; Dec., 72 1/2. Corn—July, 63 1/2; Sept., 59 1/2; Dec., 46 1/2. Oats—July, 41 1/2; Sept., 29 1/2; Dec., 31 1/2. Pork—July, \$18.47 1/2; Sept., \$18.02 1/2; Oct., \$18.20. Lard—July, \$11.20; Sept., \$11.22 1/2; Oct., \$10.90. Hibs—July \$10.85; Sept., \$10.85; Oct., \$10.62 1/2.

Chicago cash prices: Wheat—No. 2 red, 74 1/2; No. 3 red, 71 1/2; No. 3 spring, 70 1/2; No. 2 hard, 73; No. 3 hard, 72c. Corn—No. 2 cash, 66 1/2; No. 3 cash, 66 1/2; No. 2 yellow, 66 1/2; No. 3 yellow, 61 1/2. Oats—No. 2 cash, 48 1/2; No. 2 white, 53 1/2; No. 3 white, 51 1/2.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, July 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000, including 1,000 Texans; market steady; good to prime steers nominally \$7.75-\$8.10; poor to medium, \$4.50-\$7.00; stockers and feeders, \$2.50-\$4.00; heifers, \$2.50-\$3.50; canners, \$1.40-\$2.40; bulls, \$2.50-\$3.50; calves, \$2.50-\$3.50; Texas fed steers, \$4.00-\$6.75. Hogs—Receipts today, 17,000; tomorrow, 30,000 estimated; left over 5,500; market steady to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, \$7.25-\$8.10; good to choice heavy, \$7.75-\$8.15; rough heavy, \$7.25-\$7.50; light, \$6.90-\$7.70; bulk of sales, \$7.00-\$7.95. Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; sheep strong to 10c higher; lambs lower; good to choice wethers, \$3.50-\$4.25; fair to choice mixed, \$2.50-\$3.25; western sheep, \$2.50-\$3.75; native lambs, \$2.50-\$3.85.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, July 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 17,000; best corn fed cattle steady to strong; off corn fed steady to 25c lower; beef steers, \$7.50-\$8.10; fair to good, \$5.00-\$7.50; stockers and feeders, \$3.00-\$5.00; western fed steers, \$4.50-\$6.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.40-\$4.55; canners, \$1.50-\$2.00; bulls, \$2.90-\$3.75; calves, \$2.50-\$3.00. Hogs—Receipts, 6,400; market steady to 5c lower; closing 10c lower; top, \$8.05; bulk of sales, \$7.80-\$8.00. Sheep—Receipts, 3,500; market firm; lambs strong to 10c higher; native lambs, \$4.40-\$6.25; western lambs, \$3.00-\$5.00; native wethers, \$4.15-\$4.85; western wethers, \$3.25-\$4.25.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, July 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market for best steers 15c-25c lower; native steers, \$5.00-\$6.00; cows and heifers, \$3.00-\$5.00; western steers, \$4.75-\$5.75; Texas steers, \$4.50-\$5.40; canners, \$1.75-\$2.75; \$2.50-\$3.00; heifers, \$2.50-\$3.50; calves, \$2.00-\$2.50; bulls, steers, etc., \$2.25-\$2.50. Hogs—Receipts, 8,000; market steady to strong; heavy, \$7.75-\$8.00; mixed, \$7.00-\$7.80; light, \$7.50-\$7.75; pigs, \$6.50-\$7.25; bulk of sales, \$7.00-\$7.90. Sheep—Receipts, 5,500; market steady; yearlings, \$3.00-\$4.00; wethers, \$3.15-\$3.70; ewes, \$2.00-\$3.10; common and stockers, \$1.75-\$3.15; lambs, \$3.50-\$5.50.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

St. Joseph, July 15.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,100; best steady, 6c-8c-15c lower; natives, \$4.75-\$5.20; cows and heifers, \$1.50-\$3.25; veals, \$3.00-\$4.00; bulls and stags, \$2.75-\$3.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.00-\$3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 6,847; generally 5c lower; light and light mixed, \$7.00-\$7.85; medium and heavy, \$7.90-\$8.05; pigs, \$4.75-\$5.75; bulk, \$7.50-\$7.85.

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